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The Honorable John C. Coughenour

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE**

MYRIAM ZAYAS,

Plaintiff,

v.

ANNETTE MESSITT, JEFFREY  
WHITNEY, AMBER WHITNEY, et al.,

Defendants.

NO. 2:20-cv-00747 JCC

DECLARATION OF RONDA HAUN

Ronda Haun hereby declares as follows:

1. I am over the age of 18 and am competent to testify about the matters stated herein.

I make this declaration based on my personal knowledge and the records in this case.

2. I am the Risk Management Office Chief for the Washington State Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF).

3. On March 17, 2020, Myriam Zayas's child (herein referred to by her initials "ACZ"), was placed in the temporary foster home of Jeff and Amber Whitney. Jeff and Amber Whitney received basic foster care payments from DCYF for their temporary fostering of ACZ. Jeff and Amber Whitney did not receive adoption assistance funds from DCYF for their temporary fostering of ACZ.

I declare under penalty of perjury of law under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

EXECUTED in Seattle, Washington on this 29 day of July 2021.

Ronda Haun  
RONDA HAUN